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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

RE: PCT/EP99/06524
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Applicant: Gassenmeier, et al.
Title: USE OF CYCLIC CARBONATES AS MOISTURISERS
Applicants' Reference: H 3486 PCT/US

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Prior to the calculation of fees and examination of the above-identified national stage application pursuant to the accompanying submission under 35 U.S.C. §371, please amend the English translation of the International Application submitted herewith, without prejudice, as follows:

In the Specification:

Please amend the instant Specification, without prejudice, as follows:

Please delete all text above line 6, of page 1, and replace the deleted matter with the following new section headings and title of the invention:

--TITLE OF THE INVENTION

Cyclic Carbonates and Moisturizing Methods Using the Same

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION--

At page 1, line 21 thereof, please delete the section heading "Description of the Invention" and replace it with the following new section heading and new paragraph:

--BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION